

AMERICANS IN EUROPEAN WAR EXPATRIATED

Refusal of State Department of
Passport to Theodore Mar-
burg, Jr., Brings Out Facts.

OATH CHANGES CITIZENSHIP

Ruling Put in Effect Refusing
Papers to All U. S. Subjects
Desiring to Enter Conflict.

Refusal on the part of the State Department to grant a passport to Theodore Marburg, Jr., of Baltimore, son of the former American minister to Belgium, to return to England and resume his duties with the British Royal Air Corps, brought out the fact today that all Americans fighting abroad in the armies of Europe who have taken oaths of allegiance to the countries they are serving, have automatically become expatriated.

This is held by the department to be particularly true of those serving in the British army, which requires an oath which, in the judgment of department officials, completely wipes out all allegiance to the United States.

Moreover, the department has put into effect a ruling under which and under no circumstances will it grant a passport to an American desiring to go to Europe for the purpose of fighting on one side or the other in the war.

French Oath Elastic.

While it is believed that the oath required of members of the Foreign Legion in the French army is more elastic than that of Great Britain, the burden will rest upon all American members of that legion to prove that they have not become expatriated.

Even after peace is declared, it is stated at the department, men who have served in the armies abroad, with the possible exception of those serving in the French army, will not be granted passports to travel abroad as American citizens, and those who may return to this country in destitute circumstances after the war would be treated as ordinary alien immigrants subject to deportation if without relatives in this country to support them, or without means of livelihood or if suffering from contagious diseases.

Sister Says He Will Sail.

Regardless of young Marburg's plight, his sister, Madame Storkenburgh-Starkover, wife of the secretary of the Netherlands Legation, declares that he will sail from New York next Saturday on a Dutch steamer, relying on his papers as a British officer to guarantee him entry into Great Britain.

In view of the great number of Americans now serving conspicuously in the aviator corps, it is not surprising that the State Department, it was learned today, has found it advisable to suggest to the French government that it discontinue to refer to the American aviators as members of the American Corps, owing to the false light in which such references place the United States as a neutral nation.

Coal Comes in For the District

Fear of Shortage for Local Gov-
ernment Buildings is
Allayed.

Fear of a coal shortage in the District Government was removed today by the arrival of two carloads, and assurances from the contractors that they have entered into an arrangement which they believe will permit the shipment of from 5,000 to 5,500 tons a month.

Two additional carloads are expected tomorrow or the next day. The supply in hand, it was said, is sufficient to last the public schools and District government buildings until Tuesday.

The District Government, it was said by officials of the purchasing office today, uses in severe weather about 125 tons a day. The amount consumed now is approximately 30 tons a day. Officials attribute the delay in shipment to the shortage in cars and labor.

7 Cats in His Bed, Hubby Tells Court

Had to Play Waiter to Them at
Table—Wife Calls Him
"Bad Luck."

BALTIMORE, Nov. 2.—"Judge how would you like to come home to find seven cats asleep on your side of the bed?" asked Charles Conley when arraigned before Justice Johannsen, charged with non-support.

After his wife said that he chased her from home last week, Conley cut in: "Her first husband died of grief, your honor; the second got a divorce, and I'm the third."

"And you're bad luck," chimed in the wife.

"He refused to cook my meals, and the meowing of cats around me at breakfast table forces me to feed them before I eat anything," said the husband.

Justice Johannsen advised the couple to kiss and make up. "Kiss him, did you say?" exclaimed the woman: "I never kissed any one in my life."

"There you are, Judge," responded Conley. He was released upon his recognisance.

Car Service Order Not to Be Rescinded, Says Head of Board

Utilities Officials Explain Standard Doesn't Mean
Actual Seven Square Feet of Standing Room,
But That Average on All Cars.
More Vehicles on Lines.

The Public Utilities Commission has no intention of rescinding the order standardizing street railway service in the District, according to a statement today of Col. Charles W. Kutz, chairman.

It is the belief of officials that there is a popular misconception of the regulations which went into effect yesterday. The order does not mean that every passenger boarding a car during rush hours must have seven square feet of standing space.

The public cannot be prevented from crowding if it feels so inclined. If Mrs. Smith and the seven little Smiths insist on getting on a car loaded to its theoretical "carrying value," the conductor is not going to try to prevent her.

Service Must Meet Average.

It does mean that the companies are required to furnish sufficient cars to provide an average service which meets this requirement during the rush period, extending from 5:30 to 9:15 a. m. on weekdays and Saturdays, and from 3:45 p. m. to 6:30 p. m. on weekdays.

Midweek days are from Monday to Friday, legal holidays excepted.

In other words if the total number of cars passing an observation point during the rush hours are not sufficient in number to furnish an average of seven square feet per standing passenger, the blame is on the companies.

If individual cars are loaded beyond the standard, the company is not held responsible.

More Cars Put On.

The Washington Railway and Electric Company, it was announced today, has placed additional cars on the Ninth and East Washington-Connecticut avenue lines.

Despite its intention to appeal to the courts from the order which it characterizes as "theoretical and indefinite," the company has stated its willingness to co-operate with the commission in every way possible to improve the service.

Observation of traffic, it was said, has been made by the inspectors of the commission, but several weeks will be required to ascertain actual information upon which to base a report as to the service rendered.

The traffic companies are required to submit periodic reports of the traffic at specified observation points.

ARMED MERCHANT SHIP CONTROVERSY MAY BE REOPENED

Marina Case Brings in New
Complications, Secretary
Lansing Indicates.

Reopening of the entire armed merchantmen controversy between this Government and Germany is certain if it is proved the British steamer Marina was armed at the time she was sunk by a German submarine, statements of Secretary Lansing indicated today.

Whether merchantmen have a right to arm for defense is still an open question between this Government and Germany, Lansing admitted. This question will be the principal one if negotiations develop with Germany over the death of six Americans on board the vessel, it was stated.

While this Government has maintained the right of merchantmen to arm for defense, Germany has never admitted it.

Arose Over Lusitania.

The question first arose when the Lusitania was sunk. This Government has insisted that merchantmen may arm with any guns not over six inches in caliber. When discussion of this point arose during the Lusitania negotiation, this Government showed the Lusitania was unarmed. Without a recession by this Government from its position or an admission by Germany that merchantmen might arm, the question was permitted to lapse.

Secretary Lansing said that the right of merchantmen to arm is still a mooted question; that there has been no decision on it.

Germany is expected to maintain that armed merchantmen were not included in her pledges to the United States.

There has been no change in this Government's contention, Secretary Lansing said.

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Cracksmen Loot Postoffice Safe

Get Away With Several Thousand
Dollars in Supplies at
Millsboro, Del.

MILLSBORO, Del., Nov. 2.—Cracksmen blew the safe in the postoffice here early today and got away with \$1,500 worth of stamps and supplies, \$150 in Government money and \$50 belonging to Postmaster Carey. They also took private papers and deeds of value only to himself. A number of registered letters, the value of which is not known, were included in the lot.

CARPENTERS KILLED BY FUMES FOR RATS

Two Lose Lives in Hold of Ship
Being Fumigated.

BOSTON, Nov. 2.—Caught like rats and killed by the very fumes which were used to exterminate rodents, two carpenters lost their lives early today in the hold of the Leyland liner Devonian.

Four others, attempting to rescue them from the hold, which was fumigated for rats yesterday, were overcome before they could escape, and are dying at the Relief Hospital.

The men who perished and their unconscious comrades were finally taken from the hold by men wearing gas masks, who were lowered on ropes.

Associated Bible Students at Odd Fellows' Hall, 419 7th St. N. W., 7:30 p. m. tonight.—Advt.

HUGHES TURNS DOWN STRECH FOR HOT FINISH

Candidate in New York for
Wind-up of Campaign
Among His Home Folks.

MAKES 5 SPEECHES TODAY

Republican Nominee Cheered by
Wonderful Indiana Rallyes.
Sees Triumph at Polls.

By PERRY ARNOLD.

BATAVIA, N. Y., Nov. 2.—Nominee Hughes turned into the home stretch of the Presidential campaign race today, and among "home folks" in New York State today and tomorrow he faces one of the most strenuous two-day programs he has encountered since starting on his stump tour.

Hughes was scheduled for five set speeches today and a dozen or more rear-platform "appearances" and tomorrow, going back down the Hudson valley toward New York, his schedule calls for eight talks, winding up in Brooklyn with two meetings, Saturday night at a mass meeting in Madison Square Garden he winds up his campaign.

All through the day Governor and Mrs. Hughes are looking forward to the meeting in Albany tonight, the city where the governor started his political career. The nominee was in rare good spirits, feeling fine, his voice hardly showing the strain of his campaigning, and entirely confident.

Had Halloween Party.

Resting from arduous campaigning, Candidate Hughes with his wife last night attended a Halloween party given by newspaper staff correspondents aboard the Hughes special train. Both entered into the spirit of the festivities, wore fancy caps, and blew horns.

Hughes introduced Mrs. Hughes as "the principal speaker" of the evening, and she got back by remarking that her only claim to oratorical ability lay on her last name.

The newspaper men staged a burlesque on heckling, and the governor entered into this skit by hurling some formidable question at his hosts.

Closed Western Campaign.

TORRE HAUTE, Ind., Nov. 2.—Charles Evans Hughes closed his Western campaign here with a statement to the press, in which he predicts a Republican victory in Indiana and in the nation.

"I am leaving Indiana after what is perhaps the most wonderful reception ever given to a candidate for the Presidency," said Mr. Hughes. "This splendid tribute was not accorded to me personally, but as the representative of the great united Republican party moving forward to victory and service for the nation. The men of Indiana have organized a people's victory, and I want to thank the leaders of the reunited Republican party for their effective work."

In his final speech of the Western campaign, made here in Terre Haute yesterday, he said:

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Balloting Begins Among Soldiers

Those Stationed on Border Al-
ready Designate Choice by
Mail and Wire.

Several thousand votes have already been cast in next Tuesday's election, several thousand more will be cast before that day. The greater part of them are the votes of soldiers stationed on the border, taking advantage of their own States' vote-by-mail-or-wire laws.

Today about 4,000 Minnesotans are exercising their franchise by wire, it was estimated at the War Department. Before Saturday various home precincts in North Dakota will have heard from the boys on the border.

Colorado has about 900 voters, Michigan 4,000, Wisconsin 3,500, and South Dakota 1,000 down on the Rio Grande entitled to vote in this manner.

BURGLAR GETS \$400 IN MRS. HALE'S HOME

Central Office Detectives Search-
ing City for Thief.

Central office detectives and police throughout the city today are searching for the burglar who ransacked the home of Mrs. Eugene D. Hale, widow of the former Senator from Maine, 1901 Sixteenth street northwest, and escaped with \$400 worth of jewelry last night.

Entrance was gained through a window just above a porch at the rear of the house. The house was visited about 7:30 o'clock.

Among the articles taken were a woman's gold ring set with three diamonds, worth \$150; woman's ring, set with a ruby and diamonds, \$60; and a woman's black enamel ring, set with small diamonds, \$25.

Philip T. Hall, proprietor of a men's furnishing store at 1411 F street, west, reported that an attempt was made to force open a show case in front of his place last night. There was nothing missing. It is believed the thief was frightened off.

'Tony' Jannus Killed In Russia, Guardians Here Are Notified



ANTHONY H. JANNUS.

Well-Known Capital Aviator Was Representative in Petrograd of Curtiss Company—Believed to Have Met Death in an Accident.

Word has just been received by James M. Spaulding, of this city, that his ward, Anthony H. ("Tony") Jannus, was killed in Russia on October 12. Mr. Spaulding received a message from the Curtiss Aeroplane Company, in Toronto, this morning stating they had just been notified of Jannus' death.

Jannus was employed by the Curtiss company in Russia as their representative. It is supposed he was in Petrograd at the time of his death.

Jannus was well known among many Washingtonians who remember his first flights at College Park, Md., where he gained an early reputation as a young aviator of promise.

It will be remembered that he made the flight from Duluth to Chicago by way of Sault Ste. Marie in one day, using a hydroaeroplane, and accomplishing one of the first long-distance flights in the country.

Graduate of "Tech" High.

He was a Washington high school graduate, having been graduated from Technical High School. He was a popular student and a well-known high school athlete, playing on the high school football and baseball teams.

His father, Franklin Jannus, was a patent attorney for years in Washington, and is remembered by many Washingtonians. His grandfather once was mayor of Washington.

At the age of fourteen Jannus was adopted by James H. Spaulding, a Washington attorney, and lived in Washington with Mr. Spaulding's family until his work took him out of the city.

He had been in the employ of the Curtiss Aeroplane Company for several years, and last fall in October the company sent him to Sebastopol to act as its representative in Russia. He came to Washington where he paid a brief visit to his guardians early last spring, and left for Petrograd the latter part of April. He was twenty-seven years old.

Planned Visit Home.

"What makes it especially hard for us," Mr. Spaulding said today, "is that we were expecting a visit from him within a month, or even earlier. We heard from him not long ago, when he stated his intention of coming home for a while. This brief message this morning is all the details we have. It merely states that he was killed."

His death was probably the result of an accident while testing out a machine. He was not at the front, and so he probably met his death as the result of an accident while at work. We expect any time to hear more details.

ONE MAIL U-BOAT A MONTH, IS PLAN

ONE DEALER PRICES
MILK 6 CENTS PINT

Germans Hope Thus to Destroy
Effectiveness of Great Brit-
tain's Censorship.

A schedule of one mail-carrying merchant submarine a month, between Germany and the United States, is now the hope of the German government. This is desired in order to destroy the effectiveness of the British censorship, it was learned from German officials today.

The second successful trip of the Deutschland has convinced the embassy here that this can be done, and it is declared the establishment of German credit in this country will result, together with the transaction of necessary German-American business of many kinds.

The legal rate of 4 francs a kilogram has been agreed to by the Ocean Navigation Company, it was said. In order to facilitate such an exchange of goods, the company dropped its proposal to charge \$10 a pound.

First Officer Krapohl, of the Deutschland, is expected to leave New London today with Dr. George Ahrens, the ambassador's secretary, who was sent here to deliver a letter to the embassy. It is the belief of the embassy that private and business mail for this country will total about 300 pounds, and that an equal amount will be taken back.

Ambassador Bernstorff said today he had had no word from Berlin to indicate that Captain Koenig had reported violations of neutrality through fishing boats trying to trap the Deutschland. Captain Koenig had reported on her departure from the Virginia Capes.

If First Officer Krapohl is bringing such a charge, he said, the embassy cannot act on it without instructions from the foreign office.

HEADSTRONG CHILD CALLED NATION PERIL

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—Two of the greatest perils of the present day, as outlined by the Rev. Dr. R. Parker Cadman at services celebrating the 150th anniversary of the old John Street Methodist Church, are militant control and the free rein given children. He took as his subject, "John Wesley, the Apostle of the Eighteenth Century," and pointed to the enormous family of that famous preacher as an example to be followed.

Seats for the Bernhardt Engage- ment Opened This a. m. National Theater.

—Advt.

FRENCH DRIVE GERMANS OUT OF FORT VAUX

Berlin Admits Evacuation of
Last Stronghold Won in
Verdun Offensive.

REDUCED BY HEAVY GUNS

Crown Prince's Army Captured
Fortress Five Months Ago
After Terrific Struggle.

BERLIN (via wireless to Sayville, L. I.), Nov. 2.—Fort Vaux, on the northeast front of Verdun, has been evacuated by German troops, it was officially announced today.

"The artillery engagement on the east bank of the Meuse repeatedly increased to great intensity," said the war office.

"The French directed especially heavy destructive fire against Fort Vaux, which had already been evacuated during the night time by our troops, following a given order and without being disturbed by the enemy. Important parts of the fort were blasted by us before withdrawing."

LAST VERDUN STRONGHOLD.

Fort Vaux was the last of the Verdun forts remaining in the hands of the Germans, Fort Douaumont having been recaptured by the French in their recent offensive. United Press dispatches from the Verdun front Saturday night declared that Fort Vaux was surrounded on three sides by the French, whose artillery was ringing the fortress with fire, cutting off supplies to the Germans.

Fort Vaux was captured by the Germans on June 6, after a terrific battle. It occupied a strong position on the summit of a hill, and the French had repeatedly repulsed storming attacks up its steep sides. The Germans systematically reduced the French defenses by constant artillery fire until the fort was no longer tenable. Its evacuation by the Germans came on the 252nd day of the great struggle at Verdun.

Advance at Saillly.

"North of the Somme, artillery activity was renewed in local actions. An English advance north of Courcellette was easily repulsed.

"French attacks in the sector of Les Boeufs and Rancourt brought small advantages for the enemy.

Near the edge of the forest of the west edge of Pierre Vaast wood, the enemy attacks were generally repulsed with sanguinary losses. Our troops, in spite of tenacious French resistance, made an advance in the north part of Saillly."

Raid Eastern Trenches.

"In the eastern war theater, Prince Leopold's front in the army group of General von Linsingen, Westphalian and East Frisian troops under Major General von Dittfurth's command, stormed Russian advance positions near and south of Viazemsk on the left bank of the Stochod. Besides suffering heavy losses, the enemy left twenty-two officers and 1,608 men in our hands. We captured ten machine guns and three mine-throwers. Our losses were small.

GERMANIC DRIVE IN DOBRUDJA HALTED

Mackensen Has Trouble in Pro-
tecting Danube Line.

PETROGRAD, Nov. 2.—Field Marshal Mackensen has halted his advance in Dobrudja, apparently because of a shortage of men to protect his long line along the river Danube. Dispatches from Bucharest declare that Mackensen has been forced to send several regiments to the Transylvanian front to aid Falkenhayn. The withdrawal of these troops is said to have checked his offensive operations.

ITALIANS PREPARE NEW TRIESTE DRIVE

BERLIN, Nov. 2.—Italian troops have resumed their activity on the lower Isonzo front as if in preparation for a new drive on Trieste, according to an Austrian war office statement received here today.

"On the southern wing of the coast land front hostile artillery and mine throwers have increased to great violence," said the statement.

"From 2 p. m. the enemy's infantry in the Vipava valley and on the Kart highland began to fire their bay toward our positions and, at points